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HUSSAR

Hussar, Jan. 14, 1935.—On Wednesday, Jan. 14, Mr. L. Montgomery, who had been with Mrs. Harcourt for some time, returned with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maurer and daughter of Bassano, visited Mrs. Maurer's parents, Mr. Otto J. Dundas, on Wednesday.

Messrs. Roy Hahn, Otto Christensen and Alex Lidschick motored to Bassano on Friday, and had considerable difficulty returning, owing to the storm.

Margaret and Jason Bell and Miss Peggy Reeves motored to Calgary on Friday and were delayed there till Saturday on account of the storm. They motored to Cluny and reached Hussar on Sunday.

Mr. Dean Holroyd, who has been visiting the Moffats, left for Warner on Friday.

The young people of the community held a skating and bowling party on Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Mary Tierney of Lehighridge. She has been holidaying with her parents here, and will soon be returning to Lehighridge.

The Hussar Hockey team motored to Standard on Wednesday afternoon and had a dandy game with the Standard team, with the score 6 to 1 in favor of Standard. A return game will soon be played here, and it is hoped that the local supporters will turn out in full force. Owing to the storm, it will be a few days before the rink will be a shape for skating.

There was no change on Sunday.

The W. I. will meet with Mr. Lawrie on January 24.

Len Davis and his orchestra will play for a dance in the hall on January 23.

The U.F.W.A. dance on Friday did not materialize on account of the storm. The storm was so severe that many of the country children did not attempt to go home, but remained in town till Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thies motored up from Bassano on Friday, but were unable to go to their home, and remained as guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Woodford for a few days.

It is reported that J. E. King, who has been quite ill in Calgary, is improving. Mrs. King was home for a day, returning to Calgary on Thursday.

Miss Verma Mason and Mr. Harry Riddell were married in Calgary on December 21st. These young people are well known and highly respected in this community and will continue to reside here.

Mr. T. H. Clark is attending the Institute of Technology and Arts in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Mueller, Mr. L. P. Schelling and Mr. Frank Campbell left on Monday for Calgary, via Cluny, to attend the U.F.A. Convention.

Mrs. F. R. Reeves left on Thursday for a visit with relatives in Medicine Hat.

GUILD MEETING

On Wednesday evening the First Hussar Company of Guidé held the first meeting of the year, at the home of Ranger Mahol Walmatsh. Mrs. S. Lawrence's children were present. A new recruit joined up. Special work on the Guide Laws gave Ruth Brown's first place with 20 points. It was decided to have the mothers and daughters' banquet on the evening of the second Saturday in February. June Dundas and one-half of the committee of Marion Sanden, Evelyn Gustavsen and Helen Jant.

As the president of the H.G.C. had to leave for Calgary, Mrs. Mabel Walcott was elected president and Mrs. H. Lundqvist vice-president. Mabel Walcott took over her duties as president.

The next meeting will be on the first Wednesday in February at the home of Guide Clara Brassard, and the guides will meet on Jan. 12 in the Guide Room, for intensive work to wards first place.

LADIES' AID MEETING

On Thursday afternoon, last, the Hussar Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. H. D. Brown with twenty members and visitors present. The president, Mrs. Moffat, presided. It was decided to add \$10.00 to the Aid Kit Fund; to concentrate on the play for funds, and not have the usual bridge party on February 14th. It was found that the treasurer has over \$100.00 on hand to start the New Year. The program consisted of a piano duet by Emerson and Ruth

BAIFF BEAUTY WINTER QUEEN



Set-jorine behind a fast running horse; mauling with a team of husky skating; or riding on the mountain trails all come under the heading of real sport, according to Miss Dorothy Standish, who reigns as winter queen of the winter sport season in the Canadian Rockies. Visitors from many United States cities as well as from Canadian centers are enjoying all the thrills which only this area can provide, and which reach a peak during the annual Baiff Carnival held this year February 12-17 inclusive.

ROSEMARY

ROSEMARY, January 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Jean Norlund entertained 12 guests at dinner last Sunday.

The annual school meeting and election of trustees for the south district will be held in the school house on Saturday.

Mrs. MacLeod is on the sick list this week.

The bridge club held a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Hall on Tuesday evening.

CROWFOOT

Crowfoot, Jan. 9.—Well folks, 1934 is a thing of the past, and we hope 1935 will be for the better.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Robertson were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alf Simeon last Sunday.

Tom Austin has just finished building an addition on his house, C. W. of Bassano last Sunday.

A Jacobson and Mrs. Richardson of Bassano spent Sunday at the Hettelboer home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Walker, Gordon and Donald and Verie Campbell were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jorgensen last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Houdouren, Tom and Iyl and Miss Bethel McLeod of the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Campbell.

Helio Patricia's Crowfoot bridge team played the Douglass system, but since the radio talks by the Prime Minister we have been playing a conservative game. The boys were very enthusiastic at the meet last night after a two weeks' holiday. Bob Hopkinson and Verie Campbell came out as winners with a score of 4730 for the night.

Brown's violin solo by Mr. T. Clark, accompanied by Mrs. E. Johnson, a piano solo by Anna Margaret Moffat, a reading by Mr. T. Lawson and a guessing contest, won by Miss Anna Holm. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. S. Lawrence on Feb. 14th. Admiring social hour followed, while the hostess served a dainty lunch.

SCHOOL REPORT

December Results

Grade 1-1, Joan Skornack 95.4, 2. Dorothy Mary Travis 92.8, 3. Nick Clark 92.5, 4. Bobbie Reist 91.0, 5. Billy Stiles 90.1, 6. N. H. Hobb 90.1, 7. Teddy McDonald 86.0, 8. Ruth Morrison 85.8, 9. Bobby Wright 84.4, 10. Jean Taylor 84.7, 11. Donald Brownson 84.1, 12. Irene Le Page 83.13, 13. Milton Howe 79.8, 14. Bobby Miller 79.8, 15. Reuben Herlinger 77.3.

Teacher—Christina M. Murdoch.

Grade 4-1, Mildred MacLean 61.1, 2. Jean Wilson 52.4, 3. Margaret Planagan and Lorena McLeod 50.1, 5. N. Hobb 49.1, 6. Olga Clark 37.4, 7. Paul Walsh 37.3, 8. Elton Barlow 34.4, 9. Gladys Meldinger 33.8, 10. Jack Reimer 32.4, 11. Henry Morris and Tommy Reimer 32.0, 12. J. R. Edwards 31.7, 14. Palmy Smith 30.3, 15. Harry Jackson 29.7, 16. John Landstedt 29.3, 17. Mable Moffat 29.3, 18. Rosalie Zelnick 28.7, 19. Harold Landstedt 27.3. (Absent from one exam.)

Teacher—Christina M. Murdoch.

GEM

Gem, Jan. 15, 1935.—Week end activities in Gem were practically stopped Friday and continued far into the night. Roads were blocked with drifts which were impassable with out the aid of scoop shovels or teams.

The annual school meeting which was scheduled for Sat. afternoon at 2 p.m. will be held next Saturday, Jan. 19th, at the same time.

At a card party given by Mr. P. D. Williamson on Friday night, only enough for three tables of 6 were served. The storm forced the tables to be served within, but with mild relief, and everybody for the "ice cream" weather during the hours of enjoyment at cards. First prizes were won by Mrs. W. A. Pollock and Len Standen; and consolation prizes were won by Mrs. R. Williamson and Ted Wade. The storm, however, was not to be deprived of its prize, as subsequent R. Williamson, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Standen started home at 7 a.m. in hopes of being able to get through in daylight, they were stopped almost at once by a drift a high mile to the top of the mountain. Finding it impossible to go farther, they got out and waded through snow waded for nearly a quarter of a mile to Mrs. A. where they stopped to get warm. All of the ladies had frozen their legs, but the men, being more warmly clad, had experienced less discomfort. It was necessary to get the team for them to go on home, while the car was pulled out backwards and is still on the wrong side of the road.

It was impossible to hold the joint meeting of Junior and Senior U.F.A. last night; so if arrangements can be made with Mr. Campbell, the meeting will be held a week from Saturday night. A definite announcement will be made next week.

A regular meeting of their U.F.A. will be held this Sat. Jan. 19th at 8 p.m. at the Gem school.

The next meeting of the S.E.U.F.A. will be held in the Gem school on Friday, Jan. 19th at 8 p.m.

Mrs. A. Hyrve and C. W. Archibald left Sunday to attend the U.F.A. Convention in Calgary.

Thanks to the efforts of W. C. England, a Gem Community Library has been started. Membership is 10 per cent and owing to the limited supply of books only one book may be taken at a time to be kept for two weeks. The money will be spent for repaire and new books. Donations of books which are no longer needed in your homes will be gratefully accepted. Members may obtain books any day after school or on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

BAAR RETURNS TO GERMANY

The results of the vote held in the Baar territory last Sunday and announced on Tuesday showed that the Baar was overwhelmingly in favor of returning to Germany.

A 90.8 per cent vote was cast for return of the disputed Baar territory to Germany. The remaining 9.2 per cent were divided between control by League of Nations and votes for return to France—which consisted of only .49 per cent of the total vote.

BROOKS CURLERS MEET DEFEAT

The Bassano Curling Club retains a strong hold on the MacDonald Briar trophy as a result of the decisive defeat of the Brooks challengers last Saturday night.

The defending rinks, skipped by Wm. McLaws and E. P. Currie, both won their matches in free-scoring games. The victory makes Bassano's seventeenth straight win in defense of the trophy.

The weather was extremely cold on Saturday and it made conditions difficult for the contestants. The Brooks team, consisting of J. R. Robb, skip, and Wm. Morrison, 2nd, J. G. Scott, 3rd, and A. McKee, lead, and E. P. Currie, skip.

McLaws defeated Desharnais 17-10 and Currie beat Macdonald 27-4. This gives the defenders a total of 428 points as against 357 for the challengers.

The rinks from Brooks were: J. Macintosh, 3rd, H. Scammell, 2nd, J. Reimer, lead, D. Macdonald, skip and J. Robb, 3rd, W. Morrison, 2nd, J. G. Scott, 3rd, and A. McKee, lead, and E. P. Currie, skip.

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HIGH SCHOOL BOYS DEBATE ON FRIDAY

THE DEBATEURS' LAMENT

It is an ancient question.

And it causes much dispute.

'Mongst students of the high school, this new St. Lawrence contest.

The Mason's Hall will open wide, And Friday is the night.

So come along and get a seat And hear them to the fight.

Brooks comes up to us that night, With two debaters strong.

'They'll no doubt do their best to win, But with speeches loud and long.

Will invade the Brooks stronghold, With wills and good arguments.

Will be plentiful bold, When all is o'er, the battle done, We'll take it with a smile.

When by the phone 'he told who's won, So pray for us meanwhile.

The Teams

At Brooks: Jack Robertson and Ella Kay vs. George Stiles and Archie Johnson.

At Bassano: Wm. Archibald and J. Tishin vs. Ben Plumer and Fred Thompson.

Dr. Anderson, at Brooks, and K. Webb, at Bassano, will deliver exhortatory addresses.

Each high school has picked an affirmative and a negative team. The two debates will be held simultaneously, one in Brooks and one in Bassano. The home team will take the affirmative side of the question. There will be three judges in each

MRS. C. NESBITT SHOWED BY FRIENDS

Miss G. Schoer was hostess at a delightful shower in honor of Mrs. C. Nesbitt (nee Miss Greig Sillies) at the home of Mrs. D. MacLeod last Saturday afternoon.

Following bridge, a delicious lunch was served.

The many beautiful and useful gifts were presented to the bride in the form of a surprise.

Mrs. W. L. Farnagan and Mrs. W. R. Sandbrook were joint hostesses at a shower in honor of Mrs. Nesbitt on Tuesday evening, at the home of Mrs. Farnagan.

The invited guests enjoyed bridge and luncheon, after which Mrs. Nesbitt was presented with gifts from her many friends and acquaintances.

U.F.A. CONVENTION DOWNS ABERHART'S SOCIAL CREDIT

The U.F.A. Delegates at the Convention in Calgary rejected the Aberhart plan of Alberta Social Credit by an overwhelming majority.

After addresses by G. G. Coote, M. P., and John McCrea of the Canadian Society of Technocracy, as well as explanation of his system by Wm. Aberhart, the delegates arrived at their decision after a lengthy discussion of the subject.

The opponents' chief objections were that they failed to see where the resources for basic dividends were to come from; and also that they believed it beyond the provincial powers, as the Dominion Government had laws protecting the security of money.

Robert Gardiner and N. F. Priestley, elected president and vice-president respectively, also gave lengthy arguments against the system.

They dealt with drawbacks to the basic dividends, stating there were no actual goods or services to back the oft-quoted "basic income" plan. Their services were privately, not provincially owned.

The U.F.W.A. also voted against a resolution to include Social Credit in the platform by a vote of 90 to 3.

Police began a cleanup of gambling resorts in Calgary on January 11, when they swooped on two establishments alleged to be gaming houses and arrested 70 men.

LEAGUE TIGHTENS DOWN

For the first time in history the League of Nations is taking violent action in relation to re-armament.

Paraguay not having lived up to an agreement, the League committee is reinforcing the arms embargo against her, but is lifting the ban on Bolivia.

The winning high school will be the one obtaining the greatest number of total points in the two debates.

LOCAL 'SPILL' IS POSTPONED

The Bassano Curling Club's Bonspiel, scheduled for January 14, 15 and 16 has been postponed until February 4, 5 and 6. The sudden cold weather and heavy snowfalls of the past week made motor travel difficult and in cases impossible, so out-ride risks would have been unable to attend.

It had at first been hoped to stage the local 'spoil' prior to last held in Calgary, but conditions proved too severe.

THE WEATHER

"In it cold enough for you?" When a person asks that question they are a full moon this Saturday.

For the past week the whole of Canada in general and Bassano in particular has been in the grip of a severe cold snap, except for a couple let-ups, the mercury has clung close to 25 degrees below zero. Unofficial recordings early Thursday morning show the mercury dropping at 40 below zero—and that's pretty chilly.

People scurrying along an isolated street with their collars up and their hats pulled down, and the streets around the streets heavily laden, chimneys smoking lazily in the icy breeze—that's the scene in Bassano today.

Even the Mail office had its troubles. The press was so stiff and cold it needed the proximity of a roaring coal stove, and the application of a slow torch, a coal oil stove and an electric hot-spot to get it going. Even then it screamed and groaned with reluctance.

And then some one has the gall to say: "What a full moon this Saturday. Gosh, we'll be having a little cold weather then."

DUCHESSE

DUCHESSE, January 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Will Hoeller have returned from a holiday spent at Inverlaur.

Mrs. Lyons entertained at cards on Thursday afternoon. Bridge was played at four tables. Mrs. Burke winning first prize and Mrs. Anderson, consolation. Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Lyons, assisted by Mrs. Wenger and Mrs. Lewis.

Miss Marjorie Clark spent the week end in Brooks having dental work done.

Miss Marjorie Gahan visited at the home of her brother, Harry Gahan and family, over the week-end.

Miss Adeline Alrit spent the week end with Miss Grace Kvitt.

Mrs. Harry Shindler entertained with a bridge party on Wednesday night. Mrs. Purcell won ladies' first and Mrs. Clarke, consolation. Mr. Clarke won gentlemen's first, and Mr. Dunlavy, consolation.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

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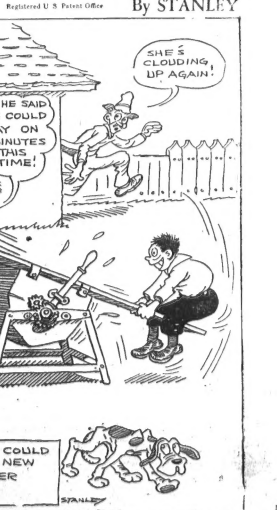
SO, THE BIG BRUTE OF A HUSBAND HAS FIXED UP THAT RIG TO GET THOSE LITTLE BOYS TO DO HIS WORK!

HE SAID WE COULD STAY ON 20 MINUTES THIS TIME!

SHE'S CLODDING UP AGAIN!

THE SALESMAN SAID "A CHILD COULD DO THE WASHING WITH THIS NEW MACHINE"—AND ED WURGLER CALLED IN THE NEIGHBORS CHILDREN TO PROVE IT!

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Methods Used By Authorities To Guard Against The Spread Of Insect Pests At Exhibitions

The outstanding success of Canadian grain growers at international exhibitions, notably at Chicago recently, are not mere matters of chance. They are indeed striking evidence of the care exercised by the farmers themselves in selecting pure seed, of the creative and preservative work of the Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture and of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association.

Besides the growing of pure seed, there is the prevention of disease and attacks from insect and other pests. Apart from that, the well-known results of the efforts of the experts of the Dominion Department of Agriculture in evolving the new, sturdy types of grain that have enabled Canada's northern frontier for grain growing and mixed farming, some hitherto unknown duties of government officials in preventing and stamping out diseases and insect exhibitions have just been brought to light at the recent meeting of the Entomological Society of Ontario.

At the World's Grain Exhibition at Regina in 1913 and at all exhibitions of grain and stock the same details, and a similar amount of scientific knowledge must be observed and applied. For example, at the World's Fair at Chicago in 1893, the insect pests and plant diseases were not so well understood by the general public. It was found necessary to employ the entire collection of exhibits from many countries over to infestation by insects. But, both at Chicago in 1893 and at the present exhibition, matters were entirely different. The exhibitors themselves were better informed and the authorities saw to it that these exhibitions were the meeting place of pests and diseases from all parts of the world.

A definite line of procedure is followed in handling, displaying and sampling exhibits for such an exhibition as the World's Grain Show. The exhibits were first marked by a representative of the exhibition, then passed to an entomological inspector who made a thorough examination, and who in turn passed the exhibit to a plant pathologist. After being passed by the plant pathologist the samples were taken by a seed inspector for the germination and field tests when required. When the samples were drawn, the metal scoop was disinfected in methyl alcohol after each sample was taken, and in the case of samples for field growing tests, all were dusted before shipment with a mercury preparation. Under the supervision of a plant pathologist, all exhibits of corn on the cob were superintended to guard against the European corn borer, and it was necessary for exhibitors from foreign countries to present a bill of health for their exhibits.

The germination and field tests of grain and other exhibits to determine the purity of strain and ensure no substitution of varieties entailed a great deal of work at the exhibition. Judging was entirely in addition to the judging on physical appearance of the exhibit. This meant that if it were necessary to reject or treat any exhibit as a precautionary measure, the fumigant used must not injure the physical appearance of the grain nor affect its germination. Suitable fumigants were evolved after careful and critical experiment by the Cereal Division and the Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture in co-operation. The Cereal Division made a physical examination, and field germination test of the treated material and checks, while the Seed Branch carried out germination tests of the treated and untreated material in accordance with the procedure followed in the Canadian germination tests for commercial seed. Ultimately at the close of the exhibition, all display material not returned to the country of origin was destroyed in the Regina incinerator under the supervision of entomological inspectors and customs officers. Meanwhile, throughout the exhibition, both the competitive and display exhibits, as well as the surplus, were kept under close observation for outbreaks of stored product insects, but no trace of them was found.

Friend—I hear all your daughters are married now.

Wholesale Merchant—Two are still off, three are on order, and one is still in stock.

Plants can be transplanted more successfully from a dry region to one with more moisture than the reverse.

W. N. U. 2078

New Highway Planned

British Columbia and Alaska Road Would Cost Around Fourteen Million

"It would be an adventure to be able to drive north, to follow the route into the country of the gold-seekers of '98. It is an adventure of which most tourists in thousands will avail themselves. They want to go north to Alaska and the Yukon."

By Clark of Wenatchee, president of the Okanagan and Cariboo Trail Association, thus expressed the possibilities which the proposed British Columbia and Alaska highway affords, in speaking before the engineering bureau of the board of trade at Vancouver.

Mr. Clark was preceded by Col. J. M. Rolleston, D.S.O., who conducted the preliminary aerial and ground surveys of the proposed route through British Columbia to the Yukon border some years ago. Col. Rolleston told of the work carried out in this connection, of the different possible routes which he had flown, and of the route chosen.

This was via Hazelton and up the Skeena and Klappan rivers to Dease lake and on to the lower end of Tash lake and thence across to Atlin. Any route east of the coast range would be the cheapest, he said, and would be the most along the proposed route at approximately \$10,000 a mile. It offers no great engineering difficulties and would be quite as being in state. The minimum weight per dozen are 22, 22 and 18 ounces respectively. The retail price on Grade "A" Large in Montreal to date is 45 to 49 cents. On that basis Grade "A" Medium eggs are worth at least 41 cents, but they are actually selling at 35 to 38 cents.

Development of the great natural resources in the area tapped by the road.

Development of the international tourist traffic.

Development of good will and trade between Canada and the United States.

Assistance to future aerial travel.

Development of greater tourist travel on the coastal vessels, through tourist travelling by road one way and returning by boat.

The cost of the scheme has been estimated at around \$14,000,000 would be spent upon construction in British Columbia and the Yukon.

Major W. G. Swan, chairman of the bureau, explained that 700 miles of road and air route as far as Hazelton. There remains 600 miles to be constructed to the British Columbia-Yukon border, 530 miles in the Yukon and 270 miles in Alaska.

More Contact Needed

To Enable Government of Empire To Discuss Matters

There will certainly be no lack of subjects to discuss in the preliminary conversations which must prepare the ground for the next Imperial Conference, to be held in 1926. The King celebrates next year the twenty-fifth anniversary of his accession to the throne. There will be a great gathering of Dominion statesmen in London to take part in the rejoicing, and the opportunity no doubt will be taken to discuss informally but all the more usefully, the questions which have arisen since the conclusion of the Ottawa agreements. Experience has shown that these agreements have been of great benefit and have increased the trade both ways between Great Britain and the Dominions at a time when international trade as a whole has been stagnating or even declining. Natural! It has also exposed defects and omissions and has revealed differences of interpretation which call for adjustment at the next conference. Perhaps what has been demonstrated most clearly is the necessity for machinery to ensure more frequent, if possible continuous, contact between the Governments of the Empire, enabling them to discuss each point of difference as it arises and to adjust their policies to constantly changing circumstances. London Times.

Among some African tribes the doctors, and not the patients, take the medicine.

Seeing a dog stretching himself, a boy aged 5 cried: "Aunt! Do look at Billy yawning with his back legs!"

There are now 18,022 ships sailing the seven seas equipped with radio.



Grade "A" Medium Eggs

The Egg Market Situation From The Consumers' Standpoint

Canadian housewives, particularly in the larger centres, are paying up a good bargain in not buying more Grade "A" Medium eggs, slated W. A. Brown, chief of the poultry services of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, in commenting on the present egg market situation from the consumer's viewpoint.

Reports coming to Mr. Brown from the various egg inspection offices under his jurisdiction state that the public is buying Grade "A" Large and Grade "A" Pullet eggs freely, but for some reason are neglecting the Grade "A" Medium.

Mr. Brown points out that all Grade "A" eggs are fresh and of good quality, the only difference being in size. The minimum weights per dozen are 22, 22 and 18 ounces respectively. The retail price on Grade "A" Large in Montreal to date is 45 to 49 cents. On that basis Grade "A" Medium eggs are worth at least 41 cents, but they are actually selling at 35 to 38 cents.

Eating For Health

Food Habits Can Contribute To A Long Life

That prolonging life at its prime is now largely a matter of proper diet and to that extent is something each individual can do for himself, is the lesson from the new knowledge of nutrition, according to Dr. R. C. Sherman, Professor of Chemistry who affirms that, instead of "digging his grave with his teeth," man can now make his food habits contribute to health and long life.

Man now has "the option of a longer lease of healthier life, of an earlier and longer prime of life, of more buoyant health throughout the whole life-cycle, as the result of taking a large proportion of the needed calories in the form of the protective foods," Dr. Sherman states. And by protective foods he means milk and its products, fruit, vegetables and eggs.

Developing Air Mail Service

Sir Philip Sassoon, under-secretary for air in London, announced in the House of Commons the government had under consideration a scheme of imperial aerial development that would provide eventually for a carriage of all first class mail. The plan calls for increased frequency of service and expedition of schedules.

Climate Changes

Recession Of Glaciers Is Advanced As Reason For Drouth Conditions

The gradual changes in climate conditions that have brought drouths to Western Canada and parts of the United States may be caused by the recession of glaciers in the Canadian northwest and Alaska. The theory is being studied by a committee of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

The scientists have found that the warm winds of the Pacific are not only demolishing great ice sheets in the Atlin, B.C. district but are blowing out a path across northern Canada on their way east. Formerly they were diverted by ice fields in the north. They passed through southern British Columbia to drop their moisture in rain on the Canadian and United States prairies.

Now with less ice each year in the north and no mountains to precipitate their moisture, the winds reach the 9,000-foot ice cap of Greenland. This change, Mr. Cotsworth says, seems to be making Alaska warmer and Greenland colder.

Not Always Imitative

Woman Invents Device For Finding And Identifying Radio Stations

Nearly all the psychologists agree that the feminine mind is quick and imitative, but always imitative, never inventive. And now, with the example of Mrs. Richardson of Shepherd's Bush before them, they can guess again. For she has won the first prize at the International Exhibition of Inventions with her device for finding and identifying radio stations. She may puzzle the psychologists, but will surprise nobody who has seen the improvements any woman can make with string, harp, match sticks and other simple tools, on the crude man-made gadgets of her own kind. But woman still rocks the cradle by hand. Manchester Sunday Chronicle.

Butter Production Down

November butter production in Saskatchewan was down six per cent, as compared with the output in November of last year, according to a bulletin issued by the department of agriculture. Production was 712,522 pounds as compared with 759,150 pounds in November, 1923.

Translations of the Scriptures were made in 11 additional languages last year, according to a London Bible society.

AEROPLANE LANDS IN THE CENTRE OF PARIS



As part of the program of the recent Aviation Exhibition in the Champs Elysees, Paris, an autogyro, piloted by M. Peureux, landed outside the Eiffel Tower, the amusement of a large crowd of people. Here we see the aeroplane on the point of landing in front of the huge building.

Will Sink Shaft Two Miles Into The Earth To Determine What Is Beneath In Lower Stratas

History Of Pioneers

Stones In Old Cemeteries Yield Information That Is Valuable

The Brockville Recorder says that for a number of years it has been the hobby (rather patiently endured by the relatives) of two Leeds and Grenville men to make their way into the rural cemeteries of their district in Ontario and at the expense of their clothing, to climb or vault tottering fences, lift fallen or broken stones from the mould and attempt to copy those inscriptions which remain decipherable.

Some very queer things have been discovered in the 70 or more cemeteries that have been visited—strange inscriptions and stranger epitaphs. The result of these labors, however, a virtual catalogue of the early residents of this section of Ontario, one of the first to be settled, and thus an invaluable collection of information incapable of duplication.

Some hunting or graveyard-surveying is not, therefore, pure frivolity, like the "scavenger-hunting" that it may be in process of replacing. It represents a serious effort to record genealogical information before it has passed out of existence, and should the practice, or pastime, spread to Canada (where the habitual state of country cemeteries would suggest prompt action), it may be of much value in adding to the store of knowledge concerning the pioneers that is being accumulated.

Is Clever Architect

Man With Mentality Of Child Designs Modern Houses

Model modern houses designed by an architect who thinks he is dead of the most extraordinary exhibitions ever held. All the exhibits in the show have been made by mental defectives and some of their workmanship displays sheer genius.

Woolward by a boy of 14 with a mental age of seven, he described by experts as "literally amazing." Visitors were told of a man who he can hardly feel himself. Yet he can answer the most puzzling mathematical problems with hardly a moment's hesitation.

The exhibits were arranged by the board of control (sanity and mental deficiency) department of the ministry of health. The object was to illustrate how the state is helping defective with beneficial results.

Wholes in Korea do not remedy, no matter how young they may be. Even though they have only been married a month, they may not take a second husband.

In 1918 it took a workman all day to make 40 electric light bulbs; in 1919 a man was reported to have made 2,000 bulbs in 24 hours.

Sometimes it's what a woman doesn't say that puzzles a man.

The answer to the greatest of the remaining geographical mysteries is to be laid bare.

Work will begin soon on the shaft that is to sink two-miles below earth's surface to determine more exactly the contour of earth's core.

The two-mile-deep hole is being dug mainly to prove that Sir James Jeans, world famous British physicist, is wrong in his theory of the nature of the inner earth. It will be dug south of Distant, near the River Meuse, in France, by Felix Kalsin, the Belgian professor who is undertaking the project. Mining engineers will assist in locating the shaft.

Prof. Kalsin takes issue with Sir James' contention that the centre of earth is a fluid, molten mass. He believes the earth is a solid mass and will continue to revolve in space forever. He explained:

"There is no particular reason why I have chosen Distant as the site for the excavation. It is merely convenient to my other work."

Prof. Kalsin, who has the chair of geology at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, is 45 years old, of medium height and has a very long and heavy beard which gives him somewhat the appearance of primitive man. He continued:

"I expect the work to require two full years. There will be no workmen actually in the hole because I will utilize a specially built excavating machine of the type used for exploring tunnels. The hole will be approximately five feet in circumference."

Samples of the earth, as the machine brings it to the surface, will be carefully examined by Prof. Kalsin.

The experiment is being financed by the National Scientific Research Fund of Belgium, and will cost an estimated \$150,000. The fund also financed Ptolemy's first stratigraphers.

Prof. Kalsin has been occupied in solving the problems of earth's interior nature for 25 years and his theory is actually in the hole because Sir James Jeans, who declares that the earth's crust, mountains and depressions are due to the cooling down of the interior of the earth, is causing the surface to shrink as does an apple skin. (On the other hand, says Sir Kalsin, the earth is expanding.)

"Earth's crust is like the varnish on a globe just as thin. Geophysically we are in all intents and purposes in the dark. It is rank heresy to state now what can be found at the centre of the earth."

Professor Kalsin admits it will be a dangerous enterprise, but is determined to try it through despite "the jeers and laughter." He added:

"I intend to go down myself and directly descend into the hole, testing the theories. Scientific theories are constantly being disproven and I am convinced we do not know a thing about man's life to be found two miles under the crust."

The Kalsin venture results that in 1922 John Cleves Symmes, an army officer in the U.S. Congress, failed to fit into an expedition into the interior of earth.

He decided earth to be a hollow creature, sphere with air springs at the poles and the interior to be inhabited. He was considerably upset by his theory but failed to get congressional backing.

Good Friend To Birds

Winnipeg Man Has Fed Them Winter And Summer

John A. Huch is Winnipeg's bird man. During the four years he has resided there he has walked approximately 2,800 miles to carry bread crumbs to feathered friends that frequent Notre Dame park in the west end of the city.

Three times a day during the summer months the 71-year-old veteran makes his way to a sheltered corner of the park where his approach is heralded by a shrill piping.

The distance from his home to the park is roughly half a mile. Two visits daily are made during the cold winter months.

The simple explanation of the old gentleman for his daily ritual was: "The excursions into nature keep me young; the exercise keeps me healthy, and watching the little fellows eat affords me the greatest of entertainment."

So long as the world is full of men who would rather listen to a complaint than a criticism, it will also be full of birds.

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A GREAT LEADER

One would be a blinded partisan indeed who cannot admire the inspirational and impressive radio talks given by the Canadian premier, R. B. Bennett. The man is gifted with rare ability. His tenacity of memory and the far reaching out of his mind are unmistakable signs of exceptional ability. The crusade he has undertaken as a prelude to a general election is good strategy. He has his case well in hand, as might be expected from a first-class lawyer, and has presented it with vigor and eloquence.

Of course the big guns of the opposition have yet to speak. They will be in full roar long before voting day comes around. And, while the Liberal party of Canada may not have a single leader with the brilliance of mind of the premier, the general standard of leadership among the Liberals is not to be discounted. Further, a cold analysis of the present situation in Canada gives little promise of a return of the current government. This is said with the full knowledge that election contests are pretty much like horse races.

In the meantime Canadians who are not tightly bound to the partisan character of the ability of this man who has been the Canadian premier for five of the hardest years this country and the world has ever seen.

THE FLOODTIME OF OPPORTUNITY

Hundreds of years ago the great Shespeare made one of his immortal sayings to the effect that "There is a tide in the affairs of man, which taken in the flood, leads on to fortune." He further added that when the chance was lost, when the venture was not undertaken at the flood of the tide, when recession sets in and the opportunity had passed "all his life is banded in shallows and in miseries."

How true the years and the centuries have shown the wise words of the Bard of Avon! How often has opportunity been missed through some trifling, faint-hearted excuse! Courage is the standing army of the soul and when combined with enterprise, industry and intelligence, great things can be accomplished.

The Mail believes the opportunity for the settlers on the eastern irrigation project is here. The tide is at full flood. The combination of events has created a situation ripe with promise. Here is an opportunity for a people to work together to build, on secure foundation, a productive area which they can own and work for the security of themselves and their children.

The English-speaking people have been among the greatest pioneers, developers and settlers in the world. The characteristics of the race seem to peculiarly fit them for such undertakings.

We've sailed wherever ship has sailed,
We've established many a mighty state,
Pray God our greatness may not fail,
Through craven fears of being great."

A STORY FOR THE FAITHFUL

It is to be hoped that some apt artificer in words will set down in book form some of the stories of the old west before departing time comes in its prehistoric freshness and truthfulness. Of course there are even now credulous people, late-comers mostly, who doubt the veracity of some incidents which happened.

For instance: Old Buckskin Williams pulled out from Seven Persons one time with a freight wagon. He noticed every horse on the high side was crowded in. When the near wheel horse reared, Buckskin saw what the trouble was—a big rattler had struck, missed the horse and hit the pole. The tongue started to swell and he had to cut it off mighty quick to save the wagon.

If the man who has gone through such an experience lived to tell the tale the least rest of us can do is to believe it. We can think of no valid reason why the story should not be true. Of course in this faithfulness and degenerate age many people may have the temerity to cast doubts upon it.

LIVE DANGEROUSLY

Nietzsche's doctrine was to live dangerously. "Build your house on the side of a volcano," he recommended.

There are two kinds of people. The ideal of one kind is peace, quiet and home with flowers in the front yard. Then there are those who are never happy unless engaged in adventure.

Many people want thrills. Some people are born explorers and pioneers and some seek settled and civilized communities. Few know the joys of courage except the courageous. Their ambition is to die in "the doubtful ridges of battle."

"Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace."

The soul knows it not.
Knows no release from little things;
Knows not the livid loneliness of fear,
Nor mountain heights where bitter joy can hear
The sound of wings.
The soul's dominion? Each time we make a choice we pay
With courage to behold restless days,
And count it fair."

THE SEVEN MISTAKES OF MAN

There are seven mistakes of life that many of us make, a famous writer says, and then he gave the following list:

1. The delusion that individual advancement is made by crushing others down.
2. The tendency to worry about things that cannot be changed or corrected.
3. Insisting that a thing is impossible because we ourselves cannot accomplish it.
4. Refusing to set aside trivial preference in order that important things may be accomplished.
5. Neglecting the development and refinement of the mind and not acquiring the habit of reading and study.
6. Attempting to compel other persons to live and behave as we do.
7. The failure to establish the habit of saving money.

Most people can avoid many of these mistakes, if not them all, and if they assiduously try to do so, can live happier and more useful lives.

EXCHANGE EDITS

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH?

An editorial in a California paper says that after fifteen years in the business, a newspaperman has been recommended to the following facts: 1st. He will always be regarded as some sort of a freak. 2nd. That the favored he does will usually go unnoticed, but his mistakes never. 3rd. That when he gets in a crowd some one will say jocularly, "Don't talk in front of so-and-so, he'll put it in the paper." 4th. That once a newspaper man will remark that "newspaper work must be fascinating."—Gleichen Call.

THE DIFFERENCE

The bureaucratic government of Russia has just completed a "blood purge" in order that opponents of the system might be so terror-stricken that no further attempts will be made to effect changes. These inflexible governments, whether they be Communists, Nazis or Fascists seem to require occasional blood-letting in order to maintain their state of power. There seems to be no preference as between them. One is just as bad as the other.—Hanna Herald.

A LITTLE STRAIGHT TALK

You illers of the soil have a right to think for yourselves, and we hope you are doing it; but we have been thinking there that will meet the past few weeks. If you really believe in the theory of Social Credit it is your privilege and duty to go in to your U.P.A. organization and establish leadership there that will meet your demands. But, if you lose the power you have now gained, you are sunk for another decade. Just think this over.—Clareholm Local Press.

YES...

It looks, as if there are going to be changes in Canada after the next election—changes in the ways of conducting business and in many other ways. The speech which R. B. Bennett, prime minister, has been broadcasting the past week would indicate that.—Plandealer, Youngstown.

The Premier's comprehensive program of reforms shows that he has had his ear to the ground and that he is fully cognizant of the many evils in our present system, as well as having some idea of how to remedy them.—Rediff Review.

...AND NO

All persons who are interested in their country have, no doubt, been following R. B. Bennett's speeches. The first two doubtless took their breath away with promises to reform this and that and perhaps they wondered if Mr. Bennett had been misled. However, the last two would lead listeners to believe the chances of any large measure of reform are slim. We will go along with us as we are.—The Brooky Bulletin.

If Mr. Bennett wishes to start on "The Road" why not start at once by eliminating the patronage lists that prevail in government dealings? Anyone who gives any thought to the question is quite aware that it is impossible to do any business with the government unless you are on the "patronage list." As long as such a condition exists under an administration, pronouncements of progressive and honest policies will be taken with a "grain of salt."—Bluff Crag and Canyon.

ROCKEFELLER REVEALED

The commission revealed John D. Rockefeller, Jr.'s holdings in three major Standard Oil companies.

The market value of his stock in just these three concerns is \$15,000,000. Mr. Rockefeller is interested in a hundred other big corporations. What is his wealth? Probably not less than a billion dollars.

And this in a country where at least 10,000,000 men and women are vainly seeking employment! The depression has crushed the "little fellow." It has added immensely to Mr. Rockefeller's wealth. He has been able to use his cash reserves to buy in desirable properties at "bargain prices"—Labor, Washington, D. C.

IT'S UP TO THE GOVERNMENT

Col. Leonard Ayres of Cleveland, who has the highest score of all financial forecasters over a period of years, doesn't think there will be much improvement in business conditions in 1936. Making all due allowances for his "playing safe" stage of mind, I am still inclined to agree with the Colonel.

Business isn't going to get any better until there is a clearer definition of the Government's policies that affect business.—Wainwright Star.

Ten Minutes

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Scotch Philosopher

It is well within the range of "truth" to say that the great majority of Canadians view with disfavor the conduct of titles and honors.

But when such names as "Wop" Mac, "Punch" Dickens and Doctor Woods are included in the list, many of us are inclined to view the matter with kinder eyes.

If their numerous recent flights into the frozen north, the two western-born almsmen have performed deeds of true valor that will be long remembered; while the achievements of the grand old man of agriculture will inspire future generations of Prairie dwellers when the path of life lies in darkness ahead.

Have you any blue-necked Phantasies out your way?

At our little place by the creek-side, they are thriving splendidly; and this morning, at day break, we counted more than thirty scratching lustily in the feed yard, so tame that they merely fluttered their wings a bit as we passed by.

Many of these were hatched out under the eaves of our well-sheltered flower garden, which will explain to some extent their fearless and tame behavior. As for the duck, they can be heard calling to one another; and in many other ways they are cheerful little neighbors.

We earnestly hope and since our lives will be favored by protection for a number of years in order that they may multiply and spread, so that other farm men and women may enjoy their company.

Even if they do consume a little while their activities in destroying mosquitoes and flies, more than pay for their keep.

Health, accident and sickness insurance, shorter hours and higher pay; better conditions for the farmer.

These measures are not part of the platform of any radical candidate for political honors, but just a few of the high lights of advanced conservatism, as propounded by our premier in recent speeches. Evidently the hard times have affected many changes of opinion, even in those who have not suffered from either misfortune or want. And since our own political beliefs are forever changing with the swift march of time, we can only say in a spirit of sincerity: God speed all who are laboring to enlighten the burden that lies so heavy on many shoulders.

"Surprise" is the element that makes joy and sorrow come and go at will.

For instance: At the height of the last cold spell, we went out to look at two heaters about mid-night, that were about to assume material responsibilities. Like the pair of old faithfuls that were stalled in the heaters were engaged in chewing their cud and grunting occasionally, as satisfied little love to do. On our way back, the flashlight revealed the thermometer at 36 below, and we rolled into bed rejoicing that nothing was likely to happen that bitter night.

Quite so. But two hours before dawn we were aroused by a terrific howling, and thinking it would be well to do the milking at the same time, took up the pail and beat it to the barn.

When we got there, two lusty calves were chasing each other around the side at break-neck speed. Herding these into a pen, we started to milk the old cows but soon gave up the fruitless task.

During the night the youngsters had apparently wandered into the wrong stall, and finding "Meg" and "Shorty" willing to mother them, performed a good job of suckling.

On getting back to the house, we found the kitchen door ajar, and "Nigger" the old Persian thief was snatching her lips over the bowl and bacon laid out for the family breakfast.

Men, you know how many bad cases words we have in our picturesque language. Well, we used them all and some hot Scotch ones to boot!

Major James R. Doolittle, noted speed flier, established a new transportational record for transport aeroplane, leaving New York at the Floyd Bennett airport, New York, 11 hours 59 minutes after his take off at Los Angeles.

His time, 11 hours, 59 minutes, broke by five minutes the mark set November 8 by Eddie Rickenbacker when he flew from Los Angeles to Newark in 12 hours 3 minutes 50 seconds.—Med. Hat News.

"LAUGH 'N LIVE"

Victor: "Well, Joe, how do you like your new little sister?"
Joe: "Oh, she's all right, I guess, but there are lots of things we need ed words."

Admiring one of George Bernard Shaw's coldest of a young lady called exclaimed, "Oh, isn't it nice!"
"Isn't it nice," retorted G.B.S. "It's a nasty word."

"Don't say 'nasty,'" retorted the caller, "it's not a nice word."

It is stated that Dr. Samuel Johnson, the lexicographer, while carrying another man's wife, was unexpectedly caught in the act by the woman's husband.

"Dr. Johnson," he exclaimed, "I am surprised."
"No," said Johnson, "you are astonished; I am surprised."

There's a terrible surplus of wheat in this country, but it could be worse. It could be spinach.

Waitress: "Have you given your order?"
Diner: "Yes, but please change it to an entree."

"Well doctor, how am I?"
"Very well, your legs are still a bit swollen, but that doesn't disturb me."

"Sure, doctor, if your legs were swollen it wouldn't disturb me, either!"
Husband: "What possessed you to choose lemon color for your new gown?"
Wife: "It was because I had such a job squeaking it out of you."

Did McFadd—Do you collect anything?

Young Smart—Collect my thoughts occasionally.

Old McFadd—The specimens you get are undoubtedly rare.

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Items from the Past

Extracts from old
Files of The Mail

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Thursday, Jan. 16, 1920--Gleichen put it all over the Bear Cuts on "Punch" day in Hockey and Five Pins. We have to admit it, but the figures show that they must have packed a punch in each milt and K. O'd our boys in both of the contests. But that doesn't worry the Bear Cuts--watch 'em go next time.

One of the mysteries of community work is that they who put most into it are the keenest workers. Those who get most out of it occupy seats in the critics gallery.

The ladies are starting early for their leap year prerogative, and the first shot of the campaign against lagging hachelors will be fired on Friday, when any of the aforelaid bachelors from 18 to 80 are cordially invited to be present and take their chance of being "popped." Boys--it's free.

Who says advertising doesn't pay? A. G. Bond informs us that since the publication of the ad. of the Dominion Farm Bureau, he has been inundated with enquiries and requests for information about the new farmers' accounting system. Of course the mere fact that a system has been invented which enables every farmer to keep a perfect record has something to do with the response to the advertisement.

Conversations to Mr. and Mrs. D. Osler of Marjorville upon the arrival of a Bonny Big Boy, at the Bassano Hospital this week.

John Hoesman has landed the Fire Spot offered by Bill Porter for any one beating McCaughy's score of 104. John boiled the next little total of 115--eight strikes running--one ditch and a first frame strike. Some artist, eh?

What we want to know--who the young Bassano lady is who is so fond of candy (fudge in particular) that she doesn't know the difference between Castile Soap and the real thing.

The Prince of Wales starts his Journey to New Zealand and Australia and India on March 3. He will be away until Christmas.

Fourteen thousand persons were shot by Bolsheviks of Russia during the first three months of 1919, by order of the extraordinary committee at Moscow, according to an official note published in the Bolshevik organ Izvestia of Moscow, says a despatch received here.

The New York Evening Sun publishes the following from its Washington correspondent: "President Wilson will formally announce in a message to the guests at the Jackson Day dinner, to be held here January 3, that he will not be a candidate for a third term in the White House."

An old Negro was asked what breed of chickens he considered the best. "All kinds has dere merit," he replied. "De white am de easiest to find, but de black am de easiest to conceal."

Farmers' Forum**GREAT IMPROVEMENT
IN HOQ QUALITY**

A remarkable improvement in quality of hog marketing has been recorded in Alberta during the past year. The percentage of "selects" marketed has increased 50 per cent. Previously, Alberta's percentage of selects was 7.57, but during 1934 this was increased to 11.50 per cent, while the percentage of "basons" marketed increased from 31.86 to 36.01 per cent. Thus nearly half of all the hogs marketed fell within the two top grades. While definite figures are not yet complete, it is expected that the total hogs marketed in the province through plants and elsewhere will be just under the million mark, a small reduction in numbers from the previous year.

**FIRE EXTINGUISHER
FOR FARM**

Some of the worst fires on farms arise from the careless use of gas oil and oil. A useful and effective homemade fire extinguisher is a large metal pail full of sand with a handy shovel in it. A heavy blanket of sand will usually smother flames quickly and in the event of early application may prevent serious loss.

**NEED REPRESENTATION
IN SCOTLAND ALSO**

The tendency of Canadian firms seeking a market in Great Britain to appoint exclusive agents in London or elsewhere in the south for the whole country still continues. In many cases, writes the Canadian Trade Commissioner, in making such an agreement they are depriving themselves of the opportunity of making sales in Scotland. That Canadian firms desiring representation in Great Britain should at least take into careful consideration the question of separate representation in Scotland really admits no argument.

CANADIAN DURUMS IN ITALY
Canadian wheat has always been highly regarded by Italian millers; the Manitoba varieties being preferred to others on account of their particular suitability for blending purposes. The price, however, as the Canadian Trade Commissioner in Italy points out, is high as compared with that of competing products chiefly from the Argentine and France. On account of the greater gluten content of Canadian wheat Italian millers are willing to pay a higher price for it, but when the spread between the price of Canadian and of foreign wheats becomes too great, the millers turn to other sources of supply. Canada is a particularly strong contender for the supplying of durum wheat for blend ing. While the Italian durum are usually of good semolina extraction value, they are somewhat deficient in gluten quality in which the Canadian durum are so strong. It is estimated that only about one-fourth of the Italian domestic durum crop is of sufficient gluten strength without the admixture of stronger foreign durum. Canadian durum, particularly the amber variety, rank highest among the year's offerings and at

ways command the best price. The enormous consumption of alimentary grains in Italy (nearly 60 lbs. per head per annum) indicates the importance of the market for this variety of Canadian wheat.

THE OLD APPLE TREE

The romantic story of the Canadian apple tree planted in 1826 by Captain Simpson of Hudson's Bay Company at Fort Vancouver has occasioned much interest in the United States Army circles. The tree stands in the reservation of Vancouver Barracks, Washington, which before the 1846 boundary treaty was located in the Company's territory on the Pacific Coast. Colonel Arthur D. Hald, United States Army at Windsor, Massachusetts, reading the story in a Canadian newspaper recently, communicated with the Post Commander at Vancouver, in a most interesting reply. First Lieutenant William W. Lloyd of the 7th Infantry, Public Relations Officer, writes from Vancouver Barracks: "The story I find is substantially that generally accepted as the true legend in this locality. There is, however, one other wonder which like the first is without more than legendary background. It is related that during the occupation of old Port Vancouver by the original command of the troops, contained within a Major Hathaway, this area was inundated by high waters during the spring rise of the Columbia. When the waters had subsided it was found that a great mass of floats and jetsam had lodged about the grove, of which 'The Old Apple Tree' was one. (This legend contends that there were a number of apple trees planted by the Hudson's Bay Company itself.) To prevent a recurrence of the entanglement of debris, which helped to collect silt and thus served to retard the subsiding of the flood waters, Major Hathaway ordered the trees cut down. The debris carried out his orders except for the one remaining tree. This was spared, so the story goes, by one of the soldiers because it was found that a family of young birds was living in a nest in its branches."

WHEAT MARKETINGS

Over 70,000,000 bushels of Alberta's 1934 wheat crop have been marketed to date, compared with 57,000,000 bushels of the 1933 crop marketed at the same date last year.

ALBERTA SEED FAIR

Alberta's provincial seed fair will be held February 13 to 16 in Edmonton, and the provincial seed growers' association will hold its annual meeting at the same time. The prize list for the seed fair this year has been divided into three sections, the first for certified or registered seed, the second for commercial seed, and the third for exhibits from junior grain clubs. Entries for the seed fair close February 11.

**THE FARM MARKET-
ING PROBLEM**

Those who have been so industriously advising farmers to go ahead with their production and leave the marketing to others, to forget all and any ideas of the price obtainable for their products because all efforts to affect prices are fruitless, received a sharp rebuke from Premier J. B. Bennett in his radio address given on Monday last week.

"Objection comes from people who cannot adjust themselves to changed conditions," the Premier said, referring to the Natural Products Marketing Act. "There are interests, which distrust and fear the farmers' organizations just as in the last century there were interests which deplored the growth of labor unions. I believe it is essential to the dignity and power of the great farming community of the land that agriculturalists should have a greater measure of authority over the sale and distribution of their products."

"Problems in the marketing of farm products are not new. I wonder how many of my listeners, on the prairie can remember the day when the farmer hauled his wheat to the only elevator within reach and when the elevator company was the sole judge of what it would pay for the grain or whether it would take it at all. That day has gone. A new one dawned with the coming of farmers' own gro--21 n. f. f. c. W. a. s. co-operative organization. The growth of this problem of the marketing of farm products paralleled that of commercial agriculture. It is a problem that has become intensified with the changing conditions of business in general. Many and varied attempts have been made to solve it. When we introduced the Marketing Act, we knew we were dealing with a very complex problem and that the first logical step was to examine the existing experimental evidence available."

"The trouble has been that marketing, like many other services, has passed into the hands of the few."

has become centralized and the farmer has lost contact with it. . . . If his prices are not satisfactory they tell him he should wait patiently until his prices improve; and that the less he concerns himself about the matter the better. They urge him to produce regardless of price. They say that the law of supply and demand must ruthlessly operate regardless of his effect on the producer. It is in natural that the farmer himself has at last decided to take a hand in the marketing of his products so that, in advance, he may know the quantity as well as the quality of the products that he can sell at a profit on the market!--The Budget.

BEATS SWEETPASTES

Three 8 1/2 x 11 stamps dated 1843 have just been sold in England for \$7,000 apiece. When you figure the size, weight, the cost of production of the stamps, it must be admitted that it is a profitable transaction. An Englishman recently made a nice profit on two pictures. He picked them up for 850 apiece from the estate of two old mads, shortly after their death. Two weeks later he sold them for \$50,000. Of course one doesn't find a great master every day.--Le Soleil, Quebec.

TRADE WITH FOREIGNERS

More purchases from foreigners are urged as a way out of the depression, but a friend protests: "I get my vegetables at an Italian's, my meals at a Greek's, my shoes at a Russian's, my shoes are repaired by a guy from Czechoslovakia, my laundryman is a Chinese, and I forget the others, so now in the name of the League of Nations am I to do more business with foreigners?"--Hamilton Spectator.

Too Short

"Won't that new novel I bought keep you amused while you're waiting for me to dress?"
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HOSPITAL NOTES

J. Ryan, of Bassano, underwent an operation at the Bassano Hospital this week.

Mrs. W. E. Sisson, of Patricia, is recovering from an operation.

H. E. Hansen, of Bassano, underwent an operation at the Bassano Hospital this week.

"How did they treat you in Scotland?"

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Stout blue denim double stitched, with copper rivet at pocket.

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MEN'S WORK SHOES

Stout Elk in Black or Brown. Solid leather sole.

Special - \$2.95 a pair

MEN'S JERSEYS

Pure wool Warren knit pullover Jersey. Dainty and comfortable.

Price - \$2.95 each

GROCERIES

FRUIT SPECIAL—1 can strawberries, 1 can red pitted cherries, 1 can sliced pine-apple, 1 can apricots, all for 99c

JAM, pure apple and strawberry, per tin 45c

JAM, pure huckleberry, delicious, per tin 65c

TOMATO SOUP, Grosse and Blackwell's, 3 tins 29c

BODA BISCUITS, \$1.00 wood box, for 45c

COFFEE, Star Special, 4 lbs \$1.00

TEA, broken orange pekoe, lb 55c

SHREDDED WHEAT, 2 boxes 25c

ROMAN MEAL COOKIES, per dozen, 10c

SOAP, 11 bars P & G, trial size Oxydol, for 50c

MATCHES, Eddy's Owl, 3 box 25c

JELLY POWDERS, Aramband, 5 for 25c

COWAN'S COCOA, 1 lb tin 27c

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

ORANGES, 3 doz. \$1.00

BANANAS, 2 lbs 25c

Grapefruit - Cranberries - Ripe Tomatoes - Sweet Potatoes - Lettuce - Celery

JAMES JOHNSTON

"The Quality Store"

Local and Personal News

If you know of an item for this column, let us know. We appreciate your help in recording the comings and goings of friends and relatives.

FIRE BRIGADE PLANS BIGGEST DANCE

Tickets for the Brigade's Eleventh Annual Ball are in great demand and indications point to one of the most successful affairs of its kind ever held here.

There is only one week left, as the dance is billed for Friday, January 25th, so waste no time in making reservations.

Besides the whist and dance features, a prize will be given to the holder of a lucky number. The Firemen have devised a new, delightful novelty which you must not miss.

W. I. TO HOLD MEETING
The Bassano Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. H. H. Edwards on Tuesday, January 12.

LADIES AID PLAN TEA
The Ladies Aid of Knox Church are planning a tea to be held on Valentine's Day. Watch for further announcement.

POUND NOTICE

Impounded in the Pound kept by the Town of Bassano, located in the Town of Bassano, on the 28th day of December, 1934, and sold on the 10th day of January, 1935:

1—Bay Mare, branded on Right Shoulder, to Cornelius Baerg, of Crowfoot, Alberta.

1—Black Yearling Colt, branded on Right Shoulder, to Cornelius Baerg, of Crowfoot, Alberta.

1—White Mare and Colt, branded on Left Thigh, to Cornelius Baerg, of Crowfoot, Alberta.

1—Bay Gelding, branded on Left Thigh, to Cornelius Baerg, of Crowfoot, Alberta.

1—Speckled Buckskin Mare, branded on Left Thigh, to Cornelius Baerg, of Crowfoot, Alta.

1—Crop-Eared Brown Gelding, branded on Left Thigh, to Peter MacLean, of Bassano, Alberta.

1—Bay Mare, branded on Right Shoulder, to Eddie Marquardt, of Bassano, Alberta.

For information, apply to Jas. R. Donaldson, Secretary-Treasurer of the Town of Bassano, Alberta.

FARMS FOR SALE

Would you like a farm in a district with sufficient rainfall? No irrigating. We have a few choice locations which can be handled with small cash payment.

If you want to benefit by getting a new location, act now before these opportunities are gone giving particulars of stock, equipment and cash available to: E. Harris, 300 Dominion Bank Building, Calgary, Alberta.

WHITE ASH MINE

SINGLE SCREEN LUMP COAL

\$4.50 a ton delivered in town

\$3.00 a ton at the Mine

Phone your orders to
PHONE 26 BASSANO

EDDIE, THE AD MAN

ASK HICKLEBERRY, CARE
OUR BEST MAINT. AD
COUNCILERS' MOVIES TAKE
OUT MY MONEY FOR SALE AD
AS MY BESS ADE MORTGAGE
MONEY, AND ARE ON THE
VERGE OF A MENDOUS
BROOKLYN TONGUE TO FILL
THE DEMAND?



Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Beaber returned Sunday evening from the coast.

The Social Credit study group is slated for a meeting tonight at the home of George Morrison. Everybody welcome.

The hockey game between the Senators and the Juventus, which was to be played Wednesday night, will be played some time next week.

The Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Thomas of Brooks were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. McNaughton over the weekend.

When it was 80 below zero the other night, the thermometer inside the curling rink registered 8 above. Some one attributed this to the "heat" emitted from the bodies of curlers and spectators. That's a sound reason, but we have our own beliefs regarding that thermometer.

"Do you want to buy a bull dog?" Listeners-in on the current Jello radio program can readily appreciate the humor in this innocent question. But when one is hounded night and day over the phone and by word of mouth it becomes a different thing; doesn't it Scotty?

'ITEM ADS' NEW SPECIAL LOW RATE

Sample:
FOR SALE—Cows, horses, pigs, hay, furniture, etc.

Apply Mr. Advertiser.

ONCE IN THE MAIL .25c

3 TIMES IN THE MAIL .50c

If you have anything to sell or need anything try 'ITEM ADS'

THE BASSANO MAIL
P. O. BOX 85 PHONE 19.

'MEDIEVAL' PROTECTION

Reminiscent of the moats around medieval castles, walls of water encircle the three-story vault that occupies almost an entire block underneath the Irving Trust Company Building in New York City. Resting on solid rock foundation, the bottom of the vault is 60 feet under the street, well below sea level.

When the vaults are flooded, the bank employees enter the subterranean treasure house only by means of air locks and pumps such as those used by tunnel workers under rivers. As for burglars or other intruders, they could not penetrate it unless they had submarine equipment.

A 40 foot "water wall" is one of the features of an elaborate system of aqueducts that protect the gold vaults of the Bank of France, in Paris, which cover two and one half acres 200 feet beneath the street.

GEM JR. U.F.A.

are holding a

PROGRAM BOX SUPPER

DANCE

in the GEM SCHOOLHOUSE

Friday, Feb. 1st

ANNOUNCEMENT

PIANO RECITAL

by Margaret J. Bell, L.R.S.M.

Knox Presbyterian Church

Friday, FEBRUARY 1st, at 8 p.m.

Selections by Rhythmic Band

Proceeds for benefit of Knox Church

Admission - 25c - Children - 15c

WANT ADS

WANTED—12 to 20 good draft horses, will winter and break some for season's work. Will buy part or all in fall for cash.

C. Beck,
Pine Lake, Alberta. 25-27c

Handsome Dinner Sets -- FREE!

Any Number of Pieces.

SAVE THE COUPONS!

Coupons given with all Cash Purchases, excepting Tobacco and Cigarettes, which the Tobacco Manufacturers will not allow.

In exchange for \$25.00 of these coupons we will give you a piece or pieces of either of these Dinner Sets. Finest quality; manufactured in England; Rose Mary and Boscombe patterns.

The sets are on display and a printed list of what you can get for each unit of \$25.00 in coupons.

START COLLECTING NOW.

PRE-INVENTORY SPECIALS

MEN'S WEAR DEPARTMENT

Men's Winter Caps

All wool Tweed with Fur or Wool bands, cosy, comfortable.

special price - \$1.00

Silver Fleece Combs.

Penman's No. 27, heavy fleece combinations. Excellent quality, good for wash and wear.

special - \$1.49

MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS

Fine quality English Broadcloth shirts. Splendidly tailored. Full size shirts. Colors: Blue, Green. With attached collars only.

special - \$1.15

MEN'S TIES

Wide end Dress Ties of fine silk in all the latest designs and colorings.

special price - 89c

Men's Sweater Coats

Currie quality London Spats with "Snap-Easy" fasteners. Come in Grey, Fawn and Brown.

special - \$2.95

Men's Spats

Monarch knit pure wool Jumbo Coats of heavy quality. Black and Camel.

special - \$1.59

Dry Goods & Ladies' Wear Dept.

Wabasso Plain Broadcloth

No. 1 quality Broadcloth, 36 inches wide. Colors: Light Green, Dark Green, Red, Fawn and Rose.

special, yd. 19c

Sparva de Luxe

A fine silk-finished material suitable for dresses, slips, child's wear. Guaranteed fadeless in a wide range of colors.

special, yd. 35c



Ladies' Holeproof Silk Hose

Holeproof semi-service quality. Smart serviceable hose in all no. dark colors.

special, - 69c

Ladies' Girdles

All rubber in the new form-fitting styles. The name of comfort. Color: Peach.

special - 98c

Striped Flannelette

Of excellent quality. This 36-inch cloth will wear and wash well. Comes in a variety of stripes.

special, yd. - 19c

Ladies' Print Dresses

Fast washing prints made-up in the very latest styles. Excellent quality prints.

special - 89c

GROCERIES SATURDAY & MONDAY, JAN. 19 & 21

CORN STARCH, Flavored, Brown & Poison's, per package, 20c
KRAUT, Libby's, large tins, 2 for 35c
MAPLE SYRUP, pure Old Colony brand, 16 oz. glass jars, each 35c
CHILI BEANS, for making Chili Con Carne, etc., 3 lbs for 25c
MARMALADE, pineapple or apple, 4 lb tins 49c
MINEMEAT, "Kay" brand, 2 lbs 35c
JELLY, loganberry and apple, 4 lb tins 49c
CANNED SALMON, Sockeye, tips and tails, real value, 3 tins for 39c
DATES in bulk, fresh and moist, 3 lbs 29c

CANNED PEARS, Quaker brand, 2 1/2 lb tins, choice quality, 2 tins 55c
TOMATO SOUP, Grosse & Blackwell's, 3 tins 29c
BAKING SODA, Magic, 1 lb pkt. 11c
PEANUT BUTTER, Squirrel brand, Gem quart sealers, each 39c
TOILET TISSUE, Purex brand, super refined, 3 large rolls for 25c
TEA, A.G. broken orange pekoe, lb 47c; 3 lbs \$1.37
COFFEE, Braid's Best, vacuum pack, lb 43c; 3 lbs for \$1.25
SOAP FLAKES, Jif, 2 large pkts. 46c
LAUNDRY SOAP, Royal Crown, P & G, 11 bars 47c

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

California Celery and Head Lettuce - Cuban Tomatoes - Spanish Onions - Turnips - Carrots - Cabbage

McKEE'S STORES

"Always at Your Service"

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